

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph starting at Page 1, line 11, as follows:

This application is a divisional of and claims priority to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/687,243 entitled "MODULAR CPU ENCLOSURE FOR GAMING MACHINES," filed on October 13, 2000, and now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,699,128, which is incorporated by reference herein for all purposes.

Please amend the paragraph starting at Page 26, line 27, as follows:

The electronic key enables authorized personnel access to the electronics inside the CPU enclosure so that a new program can be downloaded into the CPU enclosure. By way of example, the electronic key may be configured to give permission to write to the hard drive. This permission may be in the form of encrypted data that is programmed into the memory unit of the electronic key. In a particularly advantageous embodiment, the encrypted data can be changed daily to further increase security. Furthermore, the electronic key is configured to be fully contained such that a user does not need to type a user ID or password. Further still, the system may be configured to set off an alarm if an inappropriate key is used or if no key is used. By way of example, electronic keys are described in greater detail in a co-pending patent application entitled, "A Key For A Gaming Machine And Method Of Use Thereof"; U.S. Patent Serial No. 09/338,173, filed June 22, 1999, and now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,439,996, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety for all purposes.